REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application, as amended herein. Claims 1-19, 22, 25-32, 35, 38-45, 48, 51-64 were pending in the application. In this amendment, Claims 2, 3, 4, and 39 have been amended; and new claims 65 and 66 have been added. Therefore, Claims 1-19, 22, 25-32, 35, 38-45, 48, 51-66 are pending in the application.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-8, 12-14, 16-17, 19, 22, 27-30, 32, 35, 38-40, 42-43, 45, 48, 52, 54-56, 58, 59, and 61-63 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Handheld HQ/Supersync/Pocket Rx/Pocket Parts TV Sync by Kliot and Glass. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. The Examiner assigns a reference date of July 2000 for the Kliot and Glass reference. Applicant respectfully disagrees with that date. While a self-serving statement in the reference asserts that "[t]he original concepts were developed in June/July 2000 with updates and modifications, (sic) continuing to date[,]" the actual document was not submitted to ip.com until May 25, 2001. It was accepted and published that same day, which is more than two months after Applicant's application priority date. Kliot and Glass admit that their concept was updated and modified after July 2000. It is impossible to determine from that reference what, if any, of Applicant's invention may have been known or used by Kliot and Glass reference be excluded.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 9, 18, 31, 44, 57, and 60 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Handheld HQ/Supersync/Pocket Rx/Pocket Parts TV Sync by Kliot and Glass in view of "How Infrared Laser Data Transmission Compares with Radio Frequency Transmission" by Pearson. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. As described above, the Kliot and Glass reference should be disqualified. Accordingly, there is no teaching to modify as described by Pearson.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 6, 11, 15, 25, and 41 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Handheld HQ/Supersync/Pocket Rx/Pocket Parts TV Sync by Kliot and Glass in view of Pentel (US 5,969,968). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. As described above, the Kliot and Glass reference should be disqualified. Accordingly, there is no teaching to modify as described by Pentel.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 10, 26, 51, and 53 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Handheld HQ/Supersync/Pocket Rx/Pocket Parts TV Sync by Kliot and Glass in view of Kinebuchi et al. (US 6,208,976). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. As described above, the Kliot and Glass reference should be disqualified. Accordingly, there is no teaching to modify as described by Kinebuchi et al.

Applicant has added new dependent Claims 65 and 66 eliciting additional features of Applicant's invention. It is believed such claims are also allowable.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has made a diligent effort to address the objections identified by the Examiner and believe all claims remaining in the application are allowable. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowability is respectfully requested. However, if the Examiner is of the opinion that the present application is not in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below so that additional changes may be discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

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